

Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A networked font rendering system ~~associated with a web server~~ comprising:

a web server for generating a web page image on a browser running on a networked workstation wherein the web page image includes data corresponding to document finishing options for at least one associated electronic document, including at least one tab option corresponding to at least one selectable font for use in connection with a selected document finishing option;

means for receiving selection data via the web page, which selection data includes at least one selected finishing option and at least one font selection corresponding thereto;

testing means for testing for availability of bitmapped font image data corresponding the at least one font selection;

means for acquiring vector data representative of a vector based font corresponding to each font selection for which no availability of bitmapped font image data is indicated by the testing means;

rendering means for rendering a portion of the vector based font to generate bitmapped font images corresponding to characters required for rendering the selected finishing option;

means for associating time stamp data corresponding to a time corresponding to the rendering of the vector based font;

font storage means for storing the rendered bitmapped font images on a networked memory associatively with the time stamp data;

means for deleting the rendered bitmapped font images in accordance with passage of a selected duration relative to the time stamp data; and

communication means for selectively communicating the font images from the font storage means and the electronic document to ~~the~~ at least one networked printer to generate document print data in accordance with a request from ~~the at least one~~ networked workstation so

as to generate a printout including a rendering of the electronic document and a rendering of each selected finishing option from the font images.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously presented) The networked font rendering system of claim 1 further comprising:

means for prompting an associated user for selection data to select a font;

means for receiving user selection data resultant from the prompt of the user for the font;

and

means for requesting the font in accordance with the user selection data.

5. (Previously presented) The networked font rendering system of claim 4 wherein the means for prompting the associated user for selection data to select the font includes means for displaying selected information about each font which is available for selection.

6. (Previously presented) The networked font rendering system of claim 5 wherein the means for displaying selected information about each font includes at least one of font type, font size, and font style for each font.

7. (Original) The networked font rendering system of claim 5 wherein the selection data includes at least one of font type, font size, font style, tab information, location of font within document, and font format.

8. (Previously presented) The networked font rendering system of claim 1 further comprising updating means for updating font storage means for the selected font.

9. (Previously presented) The networked font rendering system of claim 8 further comprising means for deleting the selected font from the font storage means upon at least one of

a predetermined time interval in which the font has not been selected and a request received from an associated user.

10. (Currently Amended) A method for rendering fonts in a networked system ~~associated with a web server~~ comprising the steps of:

generating a web page image, via a web server, on a browser running on a networked workstation wherein the web page image includes data corresponding to document finishing options for at least one associated electronic document including at least one of pagination options and page numbering options, and font selection options corresponding to at least one selectable font for use in connection with a selected document finishing option;

receiving selection data via the web page, which selection data includes at least one selected finishing option and at least one font selection corresponding thereto;

testing for availability of bitmapped font image data corresponding the at least one font selection;

acquiring vector data representative of a vector based font corresponding to each font selection for which no availability of bitmapped font image data is indicated by the testing;

rendering at least a portion of the vector based font to generate bitmapped font images corresponding to characters required ~~[[fro]]~~ for rendering the selected finishing option;

associating time stamp data corresponding to a time corresponding to the rendering of the vector based font;

storing the rendered bitmapped font images on a networked memory associatively with the time stamp data;

deleting the rendered bitmapped font images in accordance with passage of a selected duration relative to the time stamp data; and

selectively communicating the font images from the memory and the electronic document to ~~the~~ at least one networked printer to generate document print data in accordance with a request from ~~the at least one networked workstation~~ so as to generate a printout including a rendering of the electronic document and a rendering of ~~[[ach]]~~ each selected finishing option from the font images.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Previously presented) The method for rendering fonts of claim 10 further comprising:

prompting an associated user for selection data to select a font;
receiving user selection data resultant from the prompt of the user for the font; and
requesting the font in accordance with the user selection data.

14. (Previously Presented) The method for rendering fonts of claim 13 wherein step of prompting the associated user for selection data to select the font includes displaying selected information about each font which is available for selection.

15. (Original) The method for rendering fonts of claim 14 wherein the selected information displayed about each font includes at least one of font type, font size, and font style.

16. (Original) The method of rendering fonts of claim 13 wherein the selection data includes at least one of font type, font size, font style, tab information, location of font within document, and font format.

17. (Previously presented) The method of rendering fonts of claim 10 further comprising the step of updating the memory for the selected font.

18. (Previously presented) The method of rendering fonts of claim 17 further comprising the steps of deleting the selected font i from the memory upon at least one of a predetermined time interval in which the font has not been selected and a request received from an associated user.

Claims 19-32 (Cancelled)